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BEFORE THE
Federal Communications Commission
WASHINGTON, D.C.

In re Applications of)
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Martin W. Hoffman,)
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Trustee-in-Bankruptcy for Astroline)
Communications Company Limited)
Partnership)
)
For Renewal of License of Station)
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WHCT-TV, Hartford, Connecticut)
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Shurberg Broadcasting of Hartford)
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For Construction Permit for a New)
Television Station to Operate on)
Channel 18, Hartford, Connecticut)
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TO: The Honorable John M. Frysiak
Administrative Law Judge

MM Docket No. 97-128
FCC File No. BRCT-881201LG
FCC File No. BPCT-831202KF

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MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Martin R. Hoffman, Trustee-in-Bankruptcy for Astroline Communications Company Limited Partnership (the "Trustee"), Richard P. Ramirez ("Ramirez"), and Two If By Sea Broadcasting Company ("TIBS"), (hereinafter the "Movants" when referred to jointly), by their respective counsel, hereby jointly move for an extension of time until December 8, 1998 in which to file their Proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law in the above-captioned proceeding and an extension of time until January 8, 1999 to file Reply Findings.

1. The Movants have been diligently working on findings and have made substantial progress, but additional time is required to complete findings for the following reasons. First, for

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much of October, counsel for Ramirez and counsel for TIBS were out of town on business, as the Presiding Judge was informed prior to the hearing. Second, the Movants propose to file Joint Findings which will simplify and expedite the Commission's consideration of the case, but the submission of Joint Findings will require coordination among counsel for the three parties and their clients. The requested extension of time will alleviate coordination problems with the Movants' clients who have travel plans during the week of Thanksgiving when the Findings are currently due.

2. The requested dates have been reached after consultation with Bureau counsel concerning their schedules. Bureau counsel has consented to the requested extensions.

3. Mr. Shurberg has informed counsel for the Trustee that he does not consent to these extensions. In viewing Mr. Shurberg's unwillingness to consent, however, it should be noted that the Movants have incurred difficulty in preparing their Joint Findings because of Shurberg's failure to paginate his exhibits as required by the Presiding Judge's Order, FCC 97M-99, released June 4, 1997.

4. Accordingly, good cause having been shown, the Movants respectfully request an extension of time until December 8, 1998 to file Proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and an extension until January 8, 1999 to file Reply Findings.

Respectfully submitted,

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